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In re Application of
KNOPLIOCH ET AL.

: METHOD OF SEMIAUTOMATIC
SEGMENTATION FOR THE ESTIMATION OF
THREE-DIMENSIONAL VOLUMES

Serial No.: 09/368,201

: Art Unit 2859

Filed: August 4, 1999

: Examiner: Smith, R

: Date: July 25, 2001

EXTENSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136

BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to extend the term for response to the official action mailed January 30, 2001 to expire on April 30, 2001 for a period of three (3) month(s) so as to set a new expiration date of July 30, 2001.



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Respectfully submitted,

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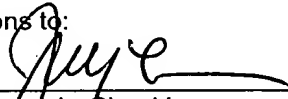
4. ☐ The power of attorney or correspondence address was changed during the prosecution of the prior application. A copy of the new power of attorney or correspondence address is submitted herewith under 37 CFR 1.63(d)(4).
5. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
- a. ☐ PTO-1449
- b. ☐ Copies of IDS citations
6. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above.

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9. ☐ Applicant request suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) for a period of months (not to exceed three months) and the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed.
10. ☒ Receipt
- a. ☐ Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
- b. ☒ Return Postcard
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- a. ☒ Certified copy of FR 97 15639
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First Named Inventor: KNOPLIOCH

Examiner Name: Smith, R.

Group Art Unit: 2859

This is a request for filing a ☒ CONTINUATION or ☐ DIVISIONAL application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application Serial No. 09/368,201 filed on August 4, 1999 entitled: Method of Semiautomatic Segmentation for the Estimation of Three-Dimensional Volumes by the following named inventor(s): Jerome Knoplioch and Eric Stefani.

NOTES:

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisoinal application was filed before May 29, 2000.

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application of applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference to the prior application required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such a request, 37 CFR 1.78(a)..

1. ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all of the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

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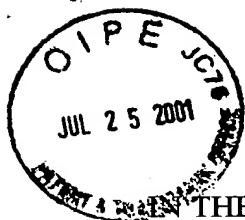
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DESCRIPTION:

Page 6, line 6, after "facets" please insert - - 40', 41', - -

IN THE CLAIMS:

Attached please find a copy of amended claims 1-3, 7-13, 15 and 17. Also attached, is a clean copy of claims 1-3, 7-15 and 17-20, all of the claims remaining in the application is provided.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Attached is a marked copy of Figure 5 with changes shown in red. The changes relate to changes in numbering. Upon approval of these changes by the Examiner, Applicants will supply new drawings which satisfy official requirements incorporating these changes upon indication that the application is otherwise in condition for allowance.

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